



INFLUENZA (FLU)

2006-07 Influenza Vaccine Composition

FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) met in Bethesda, Maryland, on February 17, 2006, to select the influenza virus strains for the composition of the influenza vaccine for use in the 2006-07 U.S. influenza season. During this meeting, the advisory panel reviewed and evaluated the surveillance data related to epidemiology and antigenic characteristics, serological responses to 2005/2006 vaccines, and the availability of candidate strains and reagents.

The panel recommended that vaccines to be used in the 2006-07 season in the U.S. contain the following:

- an A/New Caledonia/20/99 (H1N1)-like virus;
- an A/Wisconsin/67/2005 (H3N2)-like virus (A/Wisconsin/67/2005 and A/Hiroshima/52/2005 strains);
- a B/Malaysia/2506/2004-like virus (B/Malaysia/2506/2004 and B/Ohio/1/2005 strains)

The influenza vaccine composition to be used in the 2006-07 season in the U.S. is identical to that recommended by the World Health Organization on February 15, 2006.

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